

Luthigh language

Luthigh (or Ludhigh, pronounced [luɖuɣ]) is an extinct Paman language formerly spoken on the Cape York Peninsula of Queensland, Australia, by the Luthigh people. It is unknown when it became extinct.^[3] It constitutes a single language with Mpalitjanh. According to Sharp (1939), the neighboring Unjadi (Unyadi) language differed only marginally from that spoken by the *Okara* [Luthigh].^[4]

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Phonology

Consonant Phonemes

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Luthigh	
Pronunciation	[luɖuɣ]
Native to	Australia
Region	Cape York Peninsula, Queensland
Ethnicity	Lotiga, Tepiti, ? Unjadi
Extinct	(date missing)
Language family	Pama–Nyungan <ul style="list-style-type: none">Paman<ul style="list-style-type: none">North Cape York<ul style="list-style-type: none">Northern<ul style="list-style-type: none">Luthigh
Dialects	Mpalitjanh
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	xpj (Mpalitjanh)
Glottolog	luth1234 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/luth1234) ^[1]
AIATSIS ^[2]	Y12 (https://collection.aiatsis.gov.au/austlang/language/Y12) Luthigh, Y25 (https://collection.aiatsis.gov.au/austlang/language/Y25) Mpalitjar

	Peripheral		Laminal		Apical	Glottal
	Bilabial	Velar	Palatal	Dental	Alveolar	
Plosive	p	k	c	ɟ	t	ʔ
Fricatives	β	ɣ		ð		
Nasals	m	ŋ	ɲ	ɳ	n	
Vibrant					r	
Approximants	w		j		l	

Vowel Phonemes

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	Front	Back
High	i	u
Low	æ	a

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